1/15/02

PTO/SB/08 (08-00)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are reduired to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute fo	or form 1449E	3/PTO	Complete if Known			
			Application Number	09/960,559	· · ·	
STATEMEN	T BY APPL	ICANT	Filing Date	09/21/2001		
Date Submitte	d: January	15, 2002	First Named Inventor	Jean-Philippe J. de Sandro		
	•		Group Art Unit	1731		
(use as many s	iheels as ne	ecessary)	Examiner Name	Unknown		
1.	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	064951-0184		
	INFORMATI STATEMEN Date Submitte	INFORMATION DISCLO STATEMENT BY APPL Date Submitted: January (use as many sheets as ne	Substitute for form 14498/PTO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT Date Submitted: January 15, 2002 (use as many sheets as necessary)	Substitute for form 14498/PTO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT Date Submitted: January 15, 2002 (use as many sheets as necessary) Application Number Filing Date First Named Inventor Group Art Unit Examiner Name	INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT Date Submitted: January 15, 2002 (use as many sheets as necessary) Application Number 09/960,559 Filing Date 09/21/2001 First Named Inventor Jean-Philippe J. de Sandro Group Art Unit 1731 Examiner Name Unknown	

		OTHER PRIOR ART - NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS	
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), little of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.) date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	10
1)	A1	T. MIYA et al., Ultimate Low-Loss Single-Mode Fibre at $1.55 \mu m$, Electronics Letters, pp. 106-108, Vol. 15-No. 4, February 15, 1979.	
9	A2 /	H. WEHR and D. WIECHERT, Refractive Index and Density of Fluorine Doped Silica Prepared by the PCVD Process, Materials Research Bulletin, pp. 559-566, Vol. 21-No. 5, May 1986.	
·			
		RECE	
		RECEIVED JAN 1 8 2002 TC 1700	
		7C 1700	
		, 00	

Examiner Signature	Putoc	Date Considered	5/2004
'EXAMINER:	Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MOCO e	00 Describes that at 19 1	

Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

1 Unique citation designation number. ²See attached kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. ³Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 18 if possible. ⁶Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, D.C. 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Poplacement